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spondence Service, Stock
Notes and Agricultural
Matters Generally.
Strictly a House Journal

Sewing Week Sale

FOR
Home Dress Makers

We have planned this sale to be of great helpfulness to those who sew at home. Aside from the money saving advantages of home dress making, it develops a keener appreciation of merchandise which to economical women will become more and more valuable as time passes. Attend this sale and let us show you what the new store can do for you in BETTER STORE SERVICE, BETTER MERCHANDISE and BETTER VALUES.

Sewing week will commence Thursday, April 8, and continue all the next week up to and including Saturday, April 17.

Quality — Value — Service

Nash's
READY TO WEAR MILLINERY MEASUREMENTS

116-118 So. Jefferson St. Mexico, Mo.
2 Doors So. Morris Grocery

DRESS GINGHAM SPECIAL.

A few weeks ago when the cotton market was on the "slump" we bought direct from the mill, 100 Pieces BEST QUALITY 10c Dress Gingham, handsomely assorted in plain shades, staple and fancy checks, Fancy Plaids and Stripes, Fast Colors and 1915 spring styles. This is an exceptional opportunity for the HOME DRESS MAKER. This lot will be placed on sale during SEWING WEEK ONLY at the very popular price of 6 1/2c.

We want you to call and examine these Gingham and see what a genuine bargain they are. We reserve the right to limit any one we think is buying more than they want for own use.

Tell your Friends of this sale and all come and take advantage of the money saving opportunity.

WASH GOODS DEPARTMENT.

We particularly urge you to see the newest effects in Batistes, Voiles, Crepes, Plain and printed Rice Cloth, Flowered Voiles, Tissue Gingham, and the hundreds of other wash fabrics to choose from.

There's not one that will leave any of its freshness in the wash tub.

36 in. Wash Silk, all the spring shades, yard 25c
Diagonal Silks, 50c quality, all the spring shades yard 39c
Printed Organdy, beautiful patterns, yard 10c, 15c and 25c
Embroidered Organdy Edges and Plouncing up to 45 inch and prices lower than you would expect
Good assortment Printed Wash Fabrics, "Splendid Values" at a price ranging from 10c yard to 25c
Painted Flaxon, fine quality, yard 15c
Voiles, Piques, Crepes, Satilla Cloth, Irish Linens, Merino Tissue, Flaxon Tissue and prices range, yard from 10c, 15c, 25c to 50c

QUALITY AND VALUE HERE.

SILKS—SILKS—SILKS.

Where else will you find genuine silk Poplins, Marquisettes, Failles, Habotus, Chiffons, Taffetas, Printed Messaline, Cheney Bros., Spot Proof Fancy Silks? Where else will the rich varieties, the new shades, charming patterns, or embroidered effects, be obtainable so early in the season? All the new shades Sand, Putty, Battleship Gray, Russ Green, etc. Come judge for yourself. You will find the values splendid, and the assortment extensive to suit all tastes.

SPECIAL—SPECIAL.

LINEN CLUNY LACE.
4 to 5 in. 18c to 25c values, during sale, yard 15c
2 to 3 in. 10c to 12 1/2c values during sale, yard 7 1/2c
This is a genuine bargain in a Real Linen Cluny Lace.
Supply your needs at way under values. Ask to see our Linen Drapery and Curtain Net. We are selling a real Marquisette 40 inch net at, yard, 15c

JOHNSON SUCCEEDS HIMSELF AS COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT

Present Incumbent Defeat His Opponent, J. E. Wilson, By Overwhelming Majority.

THE SCHOOL LEVY CARRIED

R. D. Worrell and A. C. White Were Re-Elected Members of the Mexico School Board.

Unofficial returns from Mexico, Vandalia, Farber, Laddonia, Rush Hill, Benton City, Martinsburg and a number of rural districts gave W. Clyde Johnson 955 to J. E. Wilson's 371 in the race for County School Superintendent. It looks as if Mr. Johnson will succeed himself by a majority of about three to one. There are 103 districts to hear from and the returns are coming rather slowly.

W. Clyde Johnson carried Mexico for County School Superintendent by an overwhelming majority, receiving 310 votes to 39 for J. E. Wilson. Mr. Johnson carried the first ward, 107 to 7; 2nd ward 54 to 3; 3rd ward, 79 to 13; 4th ward 70 to 6.

Unofficial returns from a number of the school districts heard from are as follows:

	Johnson	Wilson
Duly	17	6
Maple Grove	7	4
Lowder	11	0
Gantt	16	10
Hisey	5	1
Carter	4	0
Burke	9	1
Daniel	6	0
Sims	6	0
Beaver Dam	3	14
Liberty	17	4
Cedar Grove	4	8
Erisman	8	1
Benton City	36	5
Molino	7	1
McClintic	6	9
Rush Hill	9	6
Laddonia	89	41
Farber	33	1
Bots	3	5
Martinsburg	8	101
Fisher	13	2
Dye	5	4
Beagles	7	2
Edwards	16	8
Edwards	1	22
Vandalia	260	70
Goodwater	5	3
Oak Grove	7	0
Black	5	0
Gatewood	5	5
Bryan	6	6
Crow	8	8

In Prairie Lea district, Johnson received 12 votes and Wilson 4.

The City Election.

Judge J. A. Lewis, John Ballew, E. L. Johnson and R. N. Armstrong were declared elected City Councilmen by the Council, Tuesday evening. Mr. Lewis in the first ward received 101 votes; Ballew in second, 69; Johnson in third, 83; Armstrong in fourth, 74.

R. D. Worrell and A. C. White were re-elected members of the School Board without opposition. The vote follows: 1st ward—Worrell, 114; White, 112; 2nd—Worrell, 65; White, 64; 3rd—Worrell, 87; White, 85; 4th—Worrell, 71; White, 75; total—Worrell 337, White 336.

The proposition to levy sixty cents in excess of forty cents on the hundred dollars valuation carried, as usual. The vote on the measure was as follows: 1st ward—for, 68; against, 46; 2nd—for, 27; against, 37; 3rd—for, 46; against, 40; 4th—for, 48; against, 30; total—for 189; against 153.

The present library tax of one mill was voted out because it was more than needed for the maintenance of the Public Library. A new levy will be submitted. The vote on the library tax was: 1st ward—for 36, against 71; 2nd—for 19, against 36; 3rd—for 25, against 50; 4th—for 24, against 34; total—for 104, against 201.

Bruton Mayor at Centralia.
Centralia, Mo., April 7.—Arthur Bruton, was elected mayor, T. B. Wade collector, W. H. Baldrige marshal, James Smith police judge and James Gibson street commissioner.

30 to 1 for Johnson.
Farber, Mo., April 7.—At the school election today A. T. Chase and F. N. Turner were elected directors for three years. An eight-month school season was voted and the levy increase carried. For County School Superintendent W. Clyde Johnson received 30 votes and J. E. Wilson one. Town Trustees were elected as follows: L. A. Depsing, C. A. Davault, C. A. Kellum, C. E. Luckey and F. N. Turner.

Freyer Mayor of Laddonia.
Laddonia, Mo., April 7.—The election resulted as follows: Mayor, Jacob Freyer; Alderman First Ward, C. C. Ingram; Second Ward, W. J. O'Leary. The marshalling was a tie between R. D. Riley and J. R. Pritchett. He E. Christup and C. E. Mayhall were elected School Directors.

P. A. Inlow Dead.
P. A. Inlow, 72 years old, father of Mrs. Doc Edwards, of this city, died at his home in Curryville Sunday. The funeral was Monday. Mr. Inlow was one of the prominent citizens of his community and died from paralysis. The Ledger joins friends in extending sympathy to the bereaved.

Fire Damages Model Bakery.
Fire was discovered in the second story of the building occupied by the Model Bakery, Tuesday morning about 10:30. It was extinguished after a short time. The bakery was mostly damaged by water and was not insured. The building, which is the property of Mike Georgia, was insured. This is the second fire the bakery has suffered in the past few months.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Myals left Saturday for St. Louis. After a short stay in that city they will depart for a visit of several weeks in Kentucky.

ALLIES MAY NOT ADVANCE ON WEST FRONT

CONTINUE IN DARDANELLES

Many Believe Russians Will Invade Hungary and Join Hands With The Other Allies.

It is Quite Possible That the French and British Will Only Try To Hold Their Ground.

London, April 7.—There is less talk in England of the spring advance of the Allies in France and Belgium and an increasing appreciation of the task Russia is attempting. This leads to the belief in some quarters that the leaders of the allied armies in the west, reckoning on the heavy cost incident to smashing the German line there, may perhaps seek only to hold their ground in the belief the Russians will succeed in invading Hungary, ultimately to join hands with the allied forces working northward through Serbia.

Thus what their opponents regard as the weakest of the Teutonic allies, Austro-Hungary, would be invaded without the loss of life an attempt to drive the Germans from France and Belgium would entail.

Meanwhile it is argued the bombardment of the Dardanelles will be continued as the shortest, if the most costly, method of crushing Turkey.

"DRYS" SWEEP MICHIGAN.

Incomplete Returns Show Big Majorities for Republicans.

Detroit, Mich., April 7.—Returns received up to midnight Tuesday indicated sweeping victories for the "dry" in the local option contests, which featured the Michigan state election Tuesday. Incomplete returns also showed large majorities for the Republican state ticket.

The four "dry" counties which voted on the saloon question, remained in the "dry" column. Eight of the "wet" counties, where local option was at stake, apparently went over to the "dry" side. The apparent victory of the "drys" means the closing of at least 265 saloons throughout the state.

HAVE JOINED TEAMS.

Stanley Blattner and Ty G. Roberts have joined hands and will work together to make Mexico have the winning team in the Central Missouri League this summer. Mr. Roberts will play second base on the league team.

These gentlemen attended a meeting of the league at Moberly Sunday, and report that everything is in readiness for the opening of the season. The schedule will be announced in a few days including the following cities: Mexico, Moberly, Centralia, Columbia, Higbee and Paris. Each manager says he will be in the race for the pennant but the prospects are bright for Mexico coming out on top.

A number of exhibition games in Mexico have been arranged aside from the regular scheduled games, so that Mexico will have plenty of good base ball throughout the season.

MISS ETHEL WALLACE TO WED.

Mr. and Mrs. William C. Wallace, of this city, have announced the approaching wedding of their daughter, Miss Ethel Virginia, to Arthur Lee Siler, Wednesday, May 5, in Asheville, North Carolina.

Miss Wallace is the head of the Sprunt Institute, Kennansville, N. C., and has made a splendid success with rapid progress in the educational work of that state. She is a young woman of ability as well as charm and is exceedingly accomplished as a home maker. Mr. Siler is a county farm adviser and a leader in agriculture in his state. The Ledger joins in extending best wishes and congratulations in advance.

Mrs. Offutt Entertains.

Mrs. W. A. Offutt, fourteen miles southwest of Mexico, entertained Saturday, April 3, in honor of her daughter, Elizabeth's birthday. The dinner was sumptuous. Those present were: Harold and Arthur Brown, Raymond Holman and his mother, Mrs. W. N. Holman, Dorothy Bradley, and her mother, Mrs. Elmer Bradley, Margaret Holman and her sister, Mabel Holman, and Mrs. Reed Burke, besides homebodies. Here's hoping many returns of this joyous occasion.

TO ENLIST MILITIA CO. HERE.

Major O. V. Adams, of the staff of Adjutant General Omeara, head of the Missouri National Guard, arrived in this city at noon Tuesday to enlist a company of state militia here.

Major Adams hopes to rush the enlistment and give Mexico one of the best companies in the state. He was brought here by the Mexico Commercial Club.

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TRIBUTE OF LOVE FOR DR. HAMILL IS ISSUED

Beautiful Memorial Brochure Has Been Printed at the Institution Of His Wife.

CONTAINS HIS LATEST HYMN

Was President of the International Sunday School Association—Buried in Elmwood.

A beautiful memorial booklet, a tribute of love to the late Dr. H. M. Hamill by his devoted wife and co-laborer in Sunday school work, is just from the press, and that it will be greatly appreciated by the friends and co-workers of the distinguished Sunday school leader and Confederate veteran who are so fortunate as to receive one of the little volumes is not to be doubted. Dr. Hamill was buried in this city, his old home.

The first page of the booklet bears the following inscription: "This simple brochure has been prepared specially for the three hundred or more friends and fellow Sunday school workers who could not be present at Dr. Hamill's funeral but who, through telegram or letter, expressed their grief and loving sympathy."

The frontispiece, is a splendid likeness of Dr. Hamill, the picture taken when he was in the full vigor of health. The little book also includes another picture of Dr. Hamill, which shows him in his uniform as chaplain-general of the United States Confederate Veterans' Association, the suit in which his comrades liked best to see him. There is also a picture of the chancel and tier at McDougal church, showing the many magnificent floral offerings that came from friends and Sunday school workers.

A prized feature of the little book is a beautiful hymn written just a year before his death. The title is "My Lord"

The Fashion Park Agency The Mexico Clothing Co.

W. W. FRY, JR., CHOSEN HEAD LOCAL M. U. CLUB

A Missouri University Club for Audrain county was organized at McMillan high school, Monday evening, when McMillan students, graduates of the University and former students gathered together to discuss the great state institution and organize for its betterment. W. W. Fry, Jr., was elected president, Walter Burch vice-president and Miss Frances Mason, secretary. An annual meeting will be held each year to which the McMillan and other students will be invited.

President Fry, who with many others spoke, said to make Missouri University really what it should be there was required the closest cooperation and that Audrain county was not giving its share of it. He urged the students to attend Missouri University as they attend McMillan high school and to use their influence to make it the greatest state institution in the country.

There was a large crowd in attendance and much interest was shown. All graduates and former students of Missouri University are urged to send their names and addresses to the secretary and enroll at once.

The present students and the Alumni of the State University entertained the Senior Class at the High School, Monday night. A program by the students was given in order that the Seniors might have some idea of the University, its equipment, activities and life. The first was an illustrated "lecture" by Ben Locke. He explained the university buildings as their pictures were flashed on a screen. Then came short talks by many of the boys of the different departments encouraging students to join their ranks.

An Alumni Club for Audrain County was organized and Wallace Fry was elected president; Walter Burch, vice-president; and Miss Frances Mason, secretary. The main purposes of the organization are to advertise the University and encourage the passing of intelligent legislation for its interests.

The students were addressed at assembly, Tuesday morning, by Prof. M. G. Neale, the state inspector of the Teacher Training work. Mr. Neale told of how McMillan was the pioneer of student self-government, and how she was rated and patterned after over the state. He also complimented our school because of its democracy, which is made possible by the varied curriculum.

Miss Margaret Millon, of this city, has been made chairman of the University Missouri Y. M. C. A. committee on conferences and conventions.

Prominent Martinsburg Merchant Dies Tuesday Night.

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Mr. Holterman was one of the most progressive and liveliest business men in the county. He conducted an immense hardware store and was one of the leaders in all movements to improve his community. His death is a heavy loss to that little city as well as Audrain county. The Ledger joins friends in extending sympathy to the bereaved.

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MISS KNOX RETURNS HOME.

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Miss Knox departed from home three weeks ago Sunday night. Her foot steps were followed to the road where all trace of her disappeared. As there were no motor tracks or those of a horse where her trail was lost more or less mystery surrounded her disappearance.

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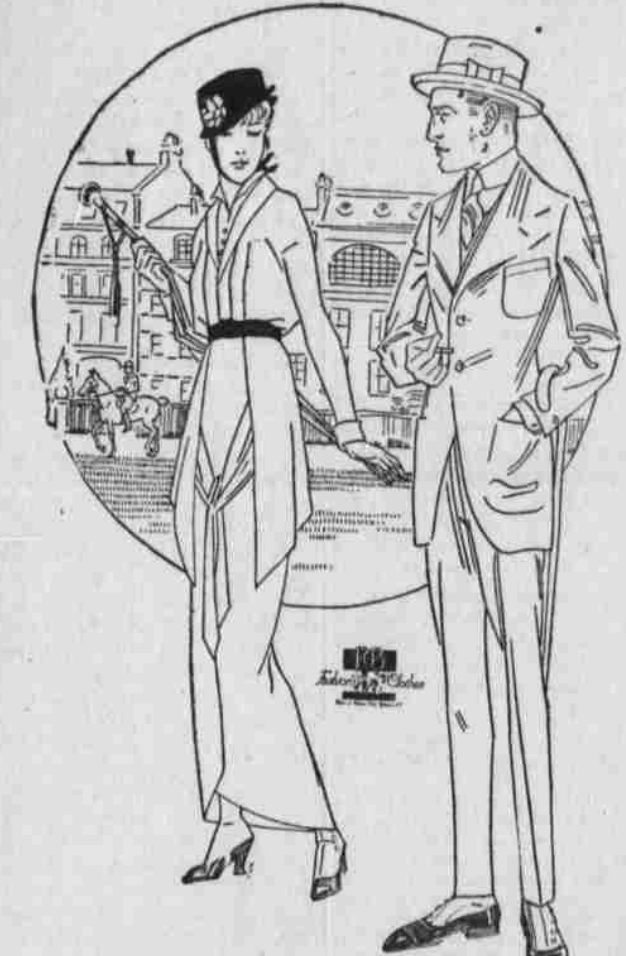
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W. L. Davenport, Mgr. Opp. Planters Hotel



Clothes are of two kinds—good and bad. Regardless of how careful you are of a cheap suit, that suit will not wear satisfactorily. BUY the best. Wear a Fashion Park STYLE.

The Fashion Park Agency The Mexico Clothing Co.

WAR WILL BRING SUFFRAGE TO GERMAN WOMEN

Berlin, April 7.—German women are "earning" their right to suffrage, says Frau Kommerzrath Hedwig Heyl, an intimate friend of the German empress and chairman of the German central commission in charge of women's activities in the present war, so declared Tuesday.

"Suffrage just now is a secondary consideration," said Frau Heyl. "Now it is the task of the women of Germany to help the government in every possible way. The ballot will come to the women of Germany when the war is over. The government will find that we have been so much help in war that our assistance is needed in peace."

Help The Government First.

Frau Heyl is one of the leading business women of Germany. She succeeded her late husband as president of the world famous Heyl Chemical Works. Instead of making chemicals exclusively, in these war times, her factories are now preserving fruits and canning vegetables.

"When the war broke out," said this gray-haired, kind-faced woman, "the 'club-belonging-set' of Berlin decided immediately what women should do and what advice they could give that was worth while.

"But just now we are helping the government in every possible way, and after the war they'll want our counsel. Suffrage will come when we've earned it, not by talking, but by helping and showing our ability to do things. German women believe deeds are more effective than words."—Kansas City Star.

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CARPENTER CASE WILL BE TRIED AT MAY TERM

Paragould, Ark., April 6.—Prosecuting Attorney Huddleston and court attaches in Greene county are dreading the approach of the May term of the criminal division of circuit court here on account of the fact that the noted Carpenter murder case that consumed more than a week of the December term last year, resulting in a hung jury, will again come up for trial. Mr. Carpenter formerly lived in Mexico, Mo.

The case has been fought through the courts twice before. At Osceola Carpenter was tried and acquitted of the charge of murdering his wife. A change of venue was taken to Marion, in Crittenden county, on the charge of killing Carpenter's mother-in-law and when it came up for trial it was dismissed because the indictment was missing. The matter was referred to the grand jury and another indictment was obtained. A change of venue was then taken to this county. At the trial here last December the case was stalled before jury through the week. The jury stood seven to five for conviction.

Carpenter is charged with killing his wife and mother-in-law, Mrs. Davis, on the night of January 7th, 1912, in their plantation home near Clear Lake, south of Blytheville. The state alleges Carpenter's business affairs were in bad shape and that the death of his wife and mother-in-law would enable him to raise the money necessary to discharge pressing obligations. Carpenter alleges that two men, Ed Giles and Frank Hamilton, with whom he had had trouble and who had threatened his life, entered his home on the fatal night and killed the two women. He claims Giles tried to kill him, but failed.

PALACE OF SWEETS TRADED.

F. A. Sannbeck traded a 100 acre farm, north of Mexico, in the vicinity of Molino, to Voorhees Coons, for the Palace of Sweets Tuesday. Mr. Sannbeck took possession of the establishment at once.

Mr. Coons plans are not known at this time. Mr. Sannbeck will continue to conduct his market as well as the confectionery. We trust Mr. Coons will continue to make Mexico his home.

WILLARD WINS BIG FIGHT.

Havana, Cuba, April 5.—Jesse Willard is the champion heavyweight prize fighter of the world. In the twenty-sixth round, in the arena here today, he knocked Jack Johnson, the negro champion, out. Willard improved steadily after the sixteenth round and toward the last Johnson was seen to grow weaker all the time.

Over a hundred thousand people witnessed the mill which is said to have been one of the greatest in the history of the game.

Breaking Into the Big League.

That Columbia is becoming metropolitanized is shown by the fact that a three-story apartment house is to be built there this year. There will be 18 apartments of five and six rooms, and it is said that more than 40 families have applied for quarters. Yet, in an open-air town like Columbia, where there is plenty of room, why is an apartment house?

REPORT SHOWS THAT STORM LEAD GRIM REAPER HERE

There were 353 births in Audrain county in 1913 according to the thirty-second annual report of the State Board of Health for 1914 just issued. The number of death registered for the same length of time were 221. Audrain county, according to the census of 1910 had a population of 21,687. This makes the birth rate per thousand 16.27 and the death rate 10.19.

In 1913 the statistics show only 7 deaths from typhoid fever in Audrain, and 29 from tuberculosis. Of course these are registered deaths. There were a number possibly that were not registered. There were 20 deaths in the county from nervous diseases, 30 from diseases of the